

In the Drawings

Please replace Figure 2 with the attached amended Figure 2.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 7-9 and 11 are pending in this application with claims 1 and 7-9 being amended and claims 2-6 and 10 being cancelled by this response.

Objection to the Drawings

The drawings are objected to for certain informalities. Figure 2 has been amended in accordance with the comments of the Examiner and to provide reference numerals for all elements illustrated therein. An amended Figure 2 is being provided with this response as required. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added to Figure 2 by these amendments.

The Drawings have been further objected to for not showing every feature specified in the claims. In view of this objection, claim 10 has been cancelled. It is now respectfully submitted that all features specified in the claims are illustrated in the Drawing Figures.

In view of the amendments to the Drawings and cancellation of Claim 10, it is respectfully submitted that this objection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Objection to the Abstract

The Abstract is objected to for certain informalities. The Abstract has been amended in accordance with the comments of the Examiner. In view of the amendments to the Abstract, it is respectfully submitted that this objection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Objection to the Specification

The Specification is objected to for certain informalities. The specification has been amended in accordance with the comments of the Examiner. The Specification has been further amended to provide antecedent basis for all claimed terms. The Drawings have been similarly amended to include reference numerals for all terms in the amended specification. As the amendments to the specification were included in the claims and Drawing Figures of the application as originally filed, it is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added by these amendments. In view of the amendments to the Drawings and Specification, it is respectfully submitted that this objection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of claims 1-11 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph

Claims 1-11 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph as being indefinite. The claims have been amended in accordance with the comments of the Examiner for purposes of clarification and to provide antecedent basis for all terms. In view of the amendments to the claims, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of claim 1 under 35 USC 102(b)

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Dearwester et al. Claim 6 has been indicated as allowable. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claims 2-6 and thus, claim 1 is also allowable. Claims 2-6 have been cancelled. In view of the amendments to claim 1 to include the limitations of allowable claim 6 and the cancellation of claims 2-6, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of claims 2-5 under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 2-5 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Dearwester et al. Claims 2-5 have been cancelled. In view of the cancellation of claims 2-5, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is now moot and should be withdrawn.

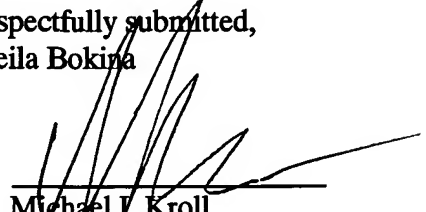
In view of the above remarks and amendments to the claims, it is respectfully submitted that the objections and rejections made in this Office Action have been satisfied and should be withdrawn. In view of the cancellation of claims 2-6 and 10, it is respectfully submitted that all claims now pending are allowable, it is respectfully requested that this application now be allowed to issue.

Should the Examiner consider necessary or desirable any formal changes anywhere in the specification, claims and/or drawings, then it is respectfully asked that such changes be made by Examiner's amendment, if the Examiner feels this would facilitate passage of the case to issuance.

Alternatively, should the Examiner have any questions, comments, or feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance and issuance, he is cordially invited to contact Mr. Michael Kroll, Esq. at 171 Stillwell Lane, Syosset, New York 11791, telephone number (516) 367-7777, so that the present application can receive an early notice of allowance. The address and telephone number for Michael I. Kroll stated above is as listed on the original Power of Attorney.

No fee is believed due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge any fee due and not covered by an enclosed check to Deposit Account No. 500716.

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